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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 9, 2004 for the above-identified application. Please amend the application as set forth below.

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

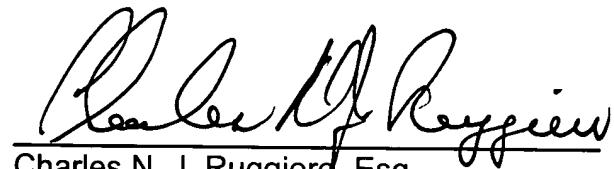
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	11	Minus	70	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	1	Minus	6	0	x \$86.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					x \$290.00 = \$	
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES					\$0	
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY					\$N/A	

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes (\$0), and any extension of time (\$0) is calculated to be \$ 0.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

June 9, 2004

Date



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